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1. DISCUSSIONS WITH COMMUNICATIONS SECRETARIAT OF PUBLIC WORKS MINISTRY, CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF RADIO MARCONI, AND DAO INDICATE THAT ONE SMALL EARTH STATION ON DRAWING BOARD THROUGH 1981. THIS ONE, A 5-METER, GT 31.7 STATION WAS PLANNED FOR CAPE VERDE ISLANDS IN 1978 BUT GOP PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION NOW DOUBTFUL GIVEN PROBABLE CAPE VERDE INDEPENDENCE IN MID-1975. FURTHER TECHNICAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE, IF DESIRED, FROM RECORD OF MARCH 1974 MEETING OF LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF INTELSTAT.

2. POST RECORD OF MARCONI PURCHASES (OF LARGER STATIONS) INDICATES THAT FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS AND TECHNICAL PERFORMANCE AND RELIABILITY WOULD BE PRINCIPAL FACTORS IN PORTUGUESE ACQUISITION. RECENT GOP PURCHASE FROM
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IN INSTALLATION AND PERFORMANCE WHICH WERE SERIOUS
ENOUGH TO WARRANT GOP CONSIDERATION OF PENALTY CLAUSE
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